

**CLAIMS**

What is claimed is:

1. A method for disseminating stock quotes in real-time, said method comprising:
  - receiving stock quote information from a provider by a quote server;
  - in response to a stock quote request from a user by a contact server, said contact server requesting said stock quote request from said quote server;
  - sending a respective stock quote according to said stock quote request to said contact server by said quote server; and
  - disseminating said stock quote to said user by said contact server.

2. The method of Claim 1, wherein said provider is a field vender.
3. The method of Claim 1, wherein said contact server is a workstation.

1        4.        A stock quoting system comprising:

2                    a quote server for receiving stock quote information from a provider;

3                    a contact server for requesting a stock quote request from said quote server, in  
4                    response to said stock quote request being requested by a user;

5                    means for sending a respective stock quote according to said stock quote  
6                    request to said contact server by said quote server; and

                    means for disseminating said stock quote to said user by said contact server.

5. The stock quoting system of Claim 4, wherein said provider is a field vender.
6. The stock quoting system of Claim 4, wherein said contact server is a workstation.

1        7.        A computer program product for disseminating stock quotes in real-time, said  
2        computer program product comprising:

3                    program code means for receiving stock quote information from a provider by  
4                    a quote server;

5                    program code means for requesting a stock quote request from a contact server  
6                    to said quote server, in response to said stock quote request being requested by a user;

7                    program code means for sending a respective stock quote according to said  
8                    stock quote request to said contact server by said quote server; and

9                    program code means for disseminating said stock quote to said user by said  
                  contact server.